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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of the pending claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application:

1. (Currently Amended) An extendable container comprising a container body including a bottom part, a bellows barrel part extendable in a height direction, and a top part having an openable cover, and a sheet, said sheet wrapped around the <u>an</u> outer circumference of the container body to secure the container body, wherein the bellows barrel part includes ring portions, each having a predetermined width and trough portions, the ring portions including projections arranged thereon, and wherein the sheet includes locking holes at positions in alignment with the projections of the ring portions so that the locking holes receive the respective projections when the sheet is wrapped around the bellows barrel part.

2. (Cancelled).

- 3. (Original) The extendable container according to claim 1, wherein at least three ring portions, including a top ring portion, an intermediate ring portion, and a bottom ring portion, comprise projections.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The extendable container according to claim 2 1, wherein the bellows barrel part comprises the ring portions, each having the predetermined width and the trough portions, and wherein the sheet is secured to the bellows barrel part by applying a peelable adhesive onto a rear surface of the sheet and then by wrapping the sheet around the bellows barrel part with the rear surface thereof in contact with the bellows barrel part.
- 5. (Original) The extendable container according to claim 4, wherein the adhesive is applied in a plurality of bands, on the rear surface of the sheet, extending in the height direction of the sheet or the circular direction of the sheet.

6-8. (Cancelled).